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- 1. THERE ARE TWO MORE ITEMS I SHOULD ADD TO WHAT I HAVE WRITTEN ABOUT SPASOWSKI.
- 2. HE IS VERY ABSTEMIOUS, ALTHOUGH HE WILL SIP AT A GIN-AND-TONIC IN WHICH THERE IS A MINIMUM OF GIN. HIS COLLEAGUES IN THE POLISH GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO MAKE FUN OF HIS REFUSAL TO DOWN NEAT GLASSES OF VODKA IN THE POLISH FASHION, AS, E.G., DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER MIECZYSLAW JAGIELSKI DID NOVEMBER 30, AT A LUNCHEON HE GAVE FOR COMMERCE SECRETARY KREPS AT NATOLIN PALACE. SPASOWSKI HAS TOLD ME HE DOES NOT HOLD AT ALL WITH THE ALCOHOLIC-CONSUMPTION HABITS OF HIS COUNTRYMEN. MRS. SPASOWSKA IS EQUALLY ABSTEMIOUS AND EQUALLY DISAPPROVING OF THE TENDENCY OF HER COUNTRYMEN TO DRINK TO EXCESS.
- 3. BEFORE THE WAR BEGAN IN 1939, SPASOWSKI WAS STUDYING PHYSICS. HE HAS TOLD ME THAT HIS STUDIES WERE INTERRUPTED BY THE BEGINNING OF THE WAR, AND, OF COURSE, HE NEVER WENT BACK TO THEM. I GAVE HIM A COPY OF S.M. ULAM'S "ADVENTURES OF A MATHEMATICIAN" (CHARLES SCRIBNER'S SONS, NEW YORK, NY, 1976) AND SPASOWSKI SAID THAT HE HAD MET SOME OF THE POLISH MATHEMATICIANS AND SCIENTISTS WHOM ULAM NAMES IN WRITING ABOUT HIS STUDENT SECRET

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